Operate telegraph lines.

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ness all that can be or is ordinarily done by express companies organized for such purpose; and every such railroad company is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate telegraph lines and to do a general telegraph business for the public, charging reasonable rates therefor, subject to all the rules and regulations prescribed by law for the transaction of telegraph business by telegraph companies.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take

effect from and after the day of its passage.

Approved April 3, 1882.

Chapter 232.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money to pay the expenses of the Committee on Elections in the following contested election cases, viz., Michael Bannon and others against George W. Hammond and others, J. Wirt Randall and others against George W. Hammond and others, John W. Brashears against William T. Revell, Richard B. B. Chew vs. John B. Brook, Thomas B. Henderson vs. John McDonald.

Issue warrants

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrants upon the State treasurer for the sum of four thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the expenses of the committee on elections in the following cases: Michael Bannon and others against George W. Hammond and others, J. Wirt Randall and others against George W. Hammond and others, John W. Brashears against William T. Revell, Richard B. B. Chew vs. John B. Brook, and Thomas B Henderson vs. John McDonald, said payments to be disbursed by the comptroller upon the certificates of the chairman of said election committee.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 3, 1882.

Effective.